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8 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
9 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

10 ROBERT SUSTRIK, et al.,  
11 Plaintiff(s),

12 v.

13 EQUIFAX INFORMATION SERVICES, LLC,  
14 Defendant(s).  
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) Case No. 2:16-cv-02866-RFB-NJK  
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) ORDER  
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16 Pending before the Court is an order for Plaintiffs' counsel to show cause why he should not be  
17 sanctioned for filing on the public docket two exhibits designated by Equifax as confidential pursuant  
18 to the parties' stipulated protective order. Docket No. 49. Plaintiffs' counsel has filed a response.  
19 Docket Nos. 50, 51. The Court appreciates counsel's forthrightness in accepting responsibility for this  
20 mistake, and the Court accepts his representations that the public filing of this confidential information  
21 was inadvertent. At the same time, it is especially important that confidential and other sensitive  
22 materials are filed by attorneys with care in accordance with applicable procedures. Once such materials  
23 are revealed publicly, the ability of courts to make it secret again may be limited. *See, e.g., Ashcraft v.*  
24 *Welk Resort Group*, 2017 WL 4038397, at \*2 n.2 (D. Nev. Sept. 13, 2017). It is counsel's responsibility  
25 to ensure that he is filing confidential materials in a proper manner. To that end, the Court **CAUTIONS**  
26 counsel that, moving forward, he must comply with all applicable rules and orders regarding the filing  
27 of confidential materials. **FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF**  
28 **SANCTIONS.**

1 Except as stated herein, the order to show cause is otherwise **DISCHARGED**.

2 IT IS SO ORDERED.

3 DATED: October 11, 2017

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NANCY J. KOPPE  
United States Magistrate Judge